

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2006, in which claims 1-15 were allowed, and claims 16-27 were withdrawn from consideration as being non-elected claims. With this Amendment, non-elected claims 16-27 are canceled without prejudice.

As a result of this Amendment, the application is now in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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